

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

**Please replace the paragraph on page 26, line 7 with the following amended paragraph:**

In addition, as other additive of the toner, lubricant powders such as Teflon polytetrafluoroethylene TEFLON (trademark) resin powders, zinc stearate powders, poly(vinylidene fluoride) powders, for example, are employed, and especially poly(vinylidene fluoride) powders are preferable. Otherwise, the abrasive such as cerium oxide powders, silicon carbide powders, strontium titanate powders, etc., are employed, and especially strontium titanate powders are preferable. Otherwise, the fluidity applying agent such as titanium oxide powders, aluminum oxide powders, for example, is employed, and especially the hydrophobic fluidity applying agent is preferable. The aggregation preventing agent, or the conductivity applying agent such as carbon black powders, zinc oxide powders, antimony oxide powders, tin oxide powders, for example, or the development improving agent such as white fine grains and black fine grains with opposite polarities may be employed by a small amount.

**Please replace the paragraph on page 29, line 12 with the following amended paragraph:**

(Example 1) The toner material having the compound consisting of styrene-acryl copolymer resin (weight- average molecular weight is about 240 thousand, peak molecular weight of the high molecular weight substance is about 550 thousand, and peak molecular weight of the low molecular weight substance is about 4 thousand) 85 84 wt%, chromeazo metal complex (product name: Bontron BONTRON S-34 manufactured by Orient Chemical Industry Co., Ltd.) 1 wt%, carbon black (product name: #44 manufactured by Mitsubishi Chemical Co., Ltd.) 10 wt%, and the wax consisting of polyethylene wax A 4.25 wt% and paraffin wax B 0.75 wt% (wax compound ratio: A=85 %, B=15 %) was mixed previously by the super mixer, then thermally melted/kneaded by the biaxial kneading machine, then ground by the jet mill, and then classified by the dry airflow classifier. Thus, the particles whose average grain size is about 9  $\mu\text{m}$  were obtained.

**Please replace the paragraph on page 30, line 2 with the following amended paragraph:**

Then, the toner was obtained by adding the hydrophobic silica (product name: Aerogel AEROGEL R972 manufactured by Nihon Aerogel Co., Ltd.) 0.8 wt% to the above particles, and then stirring them by the Henschel mixer to adhere the hydrophobic silica onto the surfaces of the particles.

**Please replace the paragraph on page 31, line 20 with the following amended paragraph:**

Then, the toner material having the compound consisting of styrene-acryl copolymer resin HT-1 89 wt% containing the Fischer-Tropsch wax E, chromeazo metal complex (product name: Bontron BONTRON S-34 manufactured by Orient Chemical Co., Ltd.) 1 wt%, and carbon black (product name: #44 manufactured by Mitsubishi Chemical Co., Ltd.) 10 wt% was mixed previously by the super mixer, then thermally melted/kneaded by the biaxial kneading machine, then ground by the jet mill, and then classified by the dry airflow classifier. Thus, the particles whose average grain size is about 9 µm were obtained.

**Please replace the paragraph on page 32, line 5 with the following amended paragraph:**

Then, the toner of the present invention was obtained by adding the hydrophobic silica (product name: Aerogel AEROGEL R972 manufactured by Nihon Aerogel Co., Ltd.) 0.8 wt% to the above particles, and then stirring them by the Henschel mixer to adhere the hydrophobic silica onto the surfaces of the particles.

**Please replace the paragraph on page 34, line 16 with the following amended paragraph:**

In the tape peeling test, the SCOTCH Seotech (trademark) mending tape 810 was pasted onto the full black image, then the image density was measured by the reflection densitometer (RD-914 manufactured by Macbeth Co., Ltd.) before and after the tape is peeled off, and then the tape peeling strength was calculated based on "Tape peeling strength

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(%)=(reflection density of the full black image after the tape is peeled off/reflection density of the full black image before the tape is peeled off)×100%.